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Dear Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office action dated June 26, 2008. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the claim rejections in view of the following amendments and remarks.

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